

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5 and 11 are amended herein. Claims 1-6 and 9-21 are pending and under consideration.

The §102 rejection of claims 5-6 and 9-10 is respectfully traversed. Independent claim 5 (used herein as an example) recites an overfeeding printing area that is greater than the normal printing area. In contrast, paragraph [0349] of Ogasahara discloses that the second area is printed, the range of elements in the printing head has the same size as the range of printing elements used for the first area. Thus, the areas are the same, as opposed to disclosing a greater area, as claimed.

The §103 rejection of claims 1-4 and 11-21 is respectfully traversed at least because Yamasaki does not overcome the above-discussed deficiency in Ogasahara.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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